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SETTING UP OF A UNIVERSITY FOR DISABLED
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is planning to set up a separate University for disabled;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which this University is likely to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH)

(a) to (c): According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (UGC), a University, namely, Jagadguru Rambhadracharya Handicapped University, is already in existence at Chitrakootdham in the State of Uttar Pradesh. Further, the Central Government has received a proposal for conferring `deemed to be university` status on six national institutes working in the area of disabilities under the aegis of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. Since the Central Government may confer `deemed to be university` status only on the advice of the UGC, no definite time-frame in this regard can be indicated.